


 National Transportation Safety Board FACTUAL REPORT AVIATION		NTSB ID: DCA09RA052		Aircraft Registration Number: F-GZCP	
		Occurrence Date: 06/01/2009		Most Critical Injury: Fatal	
		Occurrence Type: Accident		Investigated By: Foreign	
Location/Time					
Nearest City/Place Atlantic	State	Zip Code	Local Time 0220	Time Zone UTC	
Airport Proximity:		Distance From Landing Facility:			
Aircraft Information Summary					
Aircraft Manufacturer AIRBUS		Model/Series A330/203		Type of Aircraft Airplane	
Revenue Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No		
Narrative					
<p>Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:</p> <p>At approximately 0220 UTC Air France flight 447, an Airbus A330, registration F-GZCP, en route from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil to Paris, France lost contact with ATC over the Atlantic Ocean. Automatic maintenance messages were recieved, and some wreckage has been recovered. Strong convective weather was in the vicinity. The investigation is being led by the French Bureau d'Enquêtes et d'Analyses (BEA) The US NTSB is participating as the State of Manufacture of the General Electric engines.</p> <p>For information see http://www.bea.aero/fr/enquetes/vol.af.447/vol.af.447.php Updated on Jul 22 2009 8:17AM</p>					
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Landing Facility/Approach Information					
Airport Name	Airport ID:	Airport Elevation Ft. MSL	Runway Used	Runway Length	Runway Width
Runway Surface Type:					
Runway Surface Condition:					
Approach/Arrival Flown:					
VFR Approach/Landing:					
Aircraft Information					
Aircraft Manufacturer AIRBUS		Model/Series A330/203		Serial Number 660	
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Transport					
Landing Gear Type: Tricycle					
Amateur Built Acft? No	Number of Seats:	Certified Max Gross Wt. LBS		Number of Engines: 2	
Engine Type:	Engine Manufacturer:	Model/Series:		Rated Power:	
- Aircraft Inspection Information					
Type of Last Inspection	Date of Last Inspection	Time Since Last Inspection Hours		Airframe Total Time Hours	
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information					
ELT Installed?/Type	ELT Operated?	ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site?			
Owner/Operator Information					
Registered Aircraft Owner Air France		Street Address			
		City	State	Zip Code	
Operator of Aircraft Air France		Street Address			
		City	State	Zip Code	
Operator Does Business As:			Operator Designator Code:		
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held: None					
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s): Foreign Operation					
Operating Certificate:			Operator Certificate:		
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Non-U.S., Commercial					
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Scheduled; International; Passenger Only					
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First Pilot Information										
Name			City		State					
Sex:	Seat Occupied:	Occupational Pilot?		Certificate Number:						
Certificate(s):										
Airplane Rating(s):										
Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA:										
Instrument Rating(s):										
Instructor Rating(s):										
Current Biennial Flight Review?										
Medical Cert.:		Medical Cert. Status:		Date of Last Medical Exam:						
- Flight Time Matrix	All A/C	This Make and Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multi-Engine	Night	Instrument Actual	Instrument Simulated	Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
Total Time										
Pilot In Command(PIC)										
Instructor										
Instruction Received										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours										
Seatbelt Used?		Shoulder Harness Used?			Toxicology Performed?		Second Pilot? Yes			
Flight Plan/Itinerary										
Type of Flight Plan Filed: Unknown										
Departure Point					State	Airport Identifier		Departure Time		Time Zone
Destination					State	Airport Identifier				
Type of Clearance:										
Type of Airspace:										
Weather Information										
Source of Wx Information:										
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Weather Information					
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevation Ft. MSL	WOF Distance From Accident Site NM	Direction From Accident Site Deg. Mag.
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition:			Ft. AGL	Condition of Light:	
Lowest Ceiling:			Ft. AGL	Visibility: SM	Altimeter: "Hg
Temperature: °C	Dew Point: °C	Weather Conditions at Accident Site:			
Wind Direction:	Wind Speed:	Wind Gusts:			
Visibility (RVR): Ft.	Visibility (RVV) SM				
Precip and/or Obscuration:					

Accident Information					
Aircraft Damage: Destroyed		Aircraft Fire: None		Aircraft Explosion	

- Injury Summary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	TOTAL	
First Pilot	1				1	
Second Pilot	1				1	
Student Pilot						
Flight Instructor						
Check Pilot						
Flight Engineer						
Cabin Attendants	9				9	
Other Crew	1				1	
Passengers	216				216	
- TOTAL ABOARD -	228				228	
Other Ground						
- GRAND TOTAL -	228				228	

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Administrative Information		
Investigator-In-Charge (IIC) William R. English		
Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation:		
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